



STATE OF DELAWARE
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SURFACE WATER DISCHARGES SECTION

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October 2, 2006

Mr. Michael Sause
Environmental Manager
Allen Family Foods, Inc.
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Harbeson, DE 19951

Dear Mr. Sause:

I am in receipt of your September 7, 2006 letter which served as a follow-up to your 24-hour phone verification in which you indicated storm water discharges had exceeded permitted effluent limitations for an August 24, 2006 monitored storm event. This notification satisfies the requirements of Part II, Section A.2.b. of your NPDES Permit No. DE 0000299.

The high concentration values present in the grab samples were attributed to solids being flushed from the yard area. In order to resolve this issue, you will be increasing the pump times for all storm events, allowing for an increased volume of captured (and thus treated) storm water.

With that said, I believe that this is a temporary fix to the problem at hand. It appears that you are not addressing the source of the high pollutant loads, rather only providing mechanisms for a quick resolution. Therefore, I am requesting that you perform an investigation of the yard area, specifically investigating the cause for each exceedance. The results of the investigation shall identify: potential sources of pollution; ineffective best management practices; and additional best management practices necessary to meet the effluent limitations specified in your permit. The results of this investigation shall be documented and submitted to the Department for review within 45 days of receipt of this letter.

Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Allen McCloskey or myself at (302) 739-9946.

Sincerely,

Amber N. Moore
Environmental Scientist
Surface Water Discharges Section

Delaware's good nature depends on you!

are now pumping 30 minutes during a 24 hour period versus the 15 minutes that we were previously pumping.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (302) 684-1640, Ext. 184.

Respectfully submitted,
ALLEN FAMILY FOODS, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael R. Sause". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M" and "S".

Michael R. Sause
Environmental Manager

cc: John Evans
Tom Brinson